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SUBJECT: NORWAY NONCOMMITTAL ON ONLINE GAMING

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(SBU) On March 15, we delivered reftel demarche and draft text of plurilateral request to Ministry of Foreign Affairs Chief Negotiator for Services in WTO Kjell Lillerud. Lillerud offered no immediate response but said he would forward the draft text to the Norwegian delegation in Geneva. Norwegians would like to review the text of the draft request. Norway's position on the classification of online gaming services under "other recreational" or under "audio-visual" services has not been decided. Visit Oslo's Classified website:
<http://www.state.sgov.gov/p/eur/oslo/index.cf> m

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